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## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

Sir:

Applicant(s) requests continued examination of the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.114.

☒ Submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (check at least one of the following):☒ Previously submitted:☐ Applicant(s) requests nonentry of any previously-filed unentered amendments.☒ Please enter and consider the Amendment After Final Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on November 16, 2005☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_☐ Attached is/are:☐ An Information Disclosure Statement☐ An Amendment to the written description, claims, or drawings☐ New Arguments and/or New Evidence in support of Patentability☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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☐ Request for suspension of action:

Applicant(s) hereby request suspension of action on the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; requires Processing Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i)).

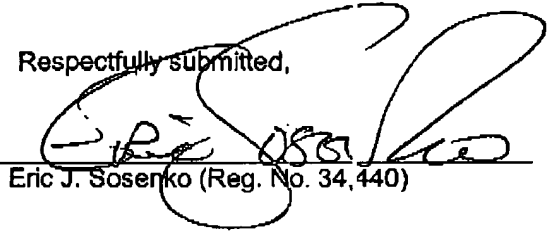
☐ Small Entity Status:☐ Applicant hereby asserts entitlement to claim small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27.☐ A small entity statement or assertion of entitlement to claim small entity status was filed in prior application no. \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ and such status is still proper and desired.☐ Is no longer desired.☒ Applicant(s) calculate the following fees to be due in connection with this Request:☒ A Request fee of \$790.00 under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e).☐ A suspension processing fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(j).☐ An additional filing fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 (\_\_\_\_\_ additional independent claims and/or \_\_\_\_\_ additional total claims).☐ An extension fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a) for a \_\_\_\_\_-month extension of time.☒ Fee payment to cover the above-enumerated fee(s):☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.☒ Please charge Deposit Account No. 06-1500 (VISTEON GLOBAL TECHNOLOGIES, INC.) in the amount of \$790.00. A copy of this Request is enclosed for this purpose.☐ A payment by credit card in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (Form PTO-2038 is attached).☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1500 (VISTEON GLOBAL TECHNOLOGIES, INC.). A copy of this Request is enclosed for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

December 14, 2005

Date

Attachment(s):

  
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